

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 - 21 (canceled)

Claim 22 (currently amended): A method of ~~transmitting~~
~~determining the usability of~~ encrypted user data objects ~~to~~ ~~by~~
a first telecommunications terminal, which comprises the
following steps:

receiving, by ~~in~~ a switching component of a telecommunications
network, ~~providing~~ an encrypted user data object to be
transmitted to the first telecommunications terminal and a
reference for checking a usability of the encrypted user data
object by the first telecommunications terminal, the switching
component not having access to a content of the encrypted user
data object due to the encryption;

the switching component determining, with the switching
component, a profile relating to capabilities of the first
telecommunications terminal to process a user data object;

transmitting, with ~~by~~ the switching component, a request
together with the determined profile of the first

telecommunications terminal to a data provisioning component in accordance with an address contained in the reference for checking the usability of the encrypted user data object by the first telecommunications terminal;

transmitting, from the data provisioning component to the switching component, information relating to a result of the check on the usability of the encrypted user data object to be transmitted for the first telecommunications terminal; and

the switching component processing, with the switching component, an the encrypted user data object in accordance with the information relating to the check, and notifying the first telecommunications terminal thereof.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, wherein the encrypted user data object and the reference are provided in a container object.

Claim 24 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, which comprises transmitting the encrypted user data object from a second telecommunications terminal to the switching component, for forwarding to the first telecommunications terminal.

Claim 25 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, wherein the step of determining the profile relating to the capabilities of the first telecommunications terminal comprises sending a query to a database of the telecommunications network wherein the terminal device characteristics are stored.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, which comprises determining the profile relating to the capabilities of the first telecommunications terminal by sending a query to the first telecommunications terminal.

Claim 27 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, wherein the address contained in the reference includes a URL.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, wherein the encrypted user data object to be transmitted is also transmitted to the data provisioning component in addition in the request of the switching component to the data provisioning component.

Claim 29 (currently amended): The method according to claim 22, wherein, if the result of the check by the data provisioning component is negative, the information to the

switching component contains a pointer to ~~a—the data~~
provisioning component from which the switching component can
request a different usable user data object in accordance with
the profile of the first telecommunications terminals.

Claim 30 (currently amended): The method according to claim
22, wherein, if the result of the check by the data
provisioning component is negative, the information to the
switching component contains a different usable user data
object.

Claim 31 (previously presented): The method according to claim
22, wherein the first telecommunications terminal, in response
to the notification of the switching component concerning the
provision of a usable encrypted user data object, transmits a
request for the usable encrypted user data object to be sent
to the switching component, and the switching component
thereupon sends the usable encrypted user data object to the
first telecommunications terminal.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The method according to claim
24, which comprises transmitting data to and from at least one
of the first and second telecommunications terminals via an
air interface.

Claim 33 (previously presented): The method according to claim 32, wherein at least one of the first and second telecommunications terminal comprises a radio module.

Claim 34 (previously presented): The method according to claim 33, wherein at least one of the first and second telecommunications terminal is a mobile telephone, a cordless telephone, or a portable computer.

Claim 35 (previously presented): The method according to claim 32, which comprises transmitting messages to and from at least one of the first and second telecommunications terminal using WAP protocols or Hypertext Transfer Protocol.

Claim 36 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, wherein the first telecommunications terminal is part of a first telecommunications network.

Claim 37 (previously presented): The method according to claim 36, wherein the first telecommunications network is a mobile radio network.

Claim 38 (previously presented): The method according to claim 37, wherein the first telecommunications network operates in GSM or UMTS standard.

Claim 39 (previously presented): The method according to claim 36, wherein the switching component forms a part of a second telecommunications network that is connected to the first telecommunications network.

Claim 40 (previously presented): The method according to claim 39, wherein the second telecommunications network is a telecommunications network based on Internet protocols.

Claim 41 (previously presented): The method according to claim 40, wherein the second telecommunications network is a telecommunications network based on Hypertext Transfer Protocol.

Claim 42 (previously presented): The method according to claim 40, wherein the first and second telecommunications networks are connected to one another by way of a WAP gateway.

Claim 43 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, which comprises, following receipt of the encrypted user data object, transmitting a rights object containing a key and usage rights for the received encrypted user data object.

Claim 44 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, wherein the data provisioning component is a server of a content provider.

Claim 45 (previously presented): The method according to claim 22, wherein the user data object contains text information, audio information, video information, an executable program, a software module, or a combination thereof.

Claim 46 (currently amended): A telecommunications system for transmitting determining the usability of encrypted user data objects to by a first telecommunications terminal, comprising:

a switching component;

a data provisioning component; and

at least one first telecommunications terminal;

said switching component configured to provide an encrypted user data object to be transmitted to the at least one first telecommunications terminal and a reference for checking a usability of the encrypted user data object by the at least one first telecommunications terminal, the switching component

not having access to a content of the encrypted user data object due to the encryption;

 said switching component additionally configured to determine a profile relating to capabilities of the at least one first telecommunications terminal to process a user data object;

 said switching component configured to transmit a request, together with the determined profile of the first telecommunications terminal, to said data provisioning component in accordance with an address contained in the reference for checking whether the encrypted user data object to be transmitted is usable for processing by the at least one first telecommunications terminal;

 said data provisioning component configured to transmit to the switching component, information relating to a result of the check on the usability of the encrypted user data object to be transmitted for the at least one first telecommunications terminal; and

 said switching component configured to process ~~an—the~~ encrypted user data object in accordance with the information relating to the result of the check, and to notify the at least one first telecommunications terminal thereof.